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BISHOP OF COLLINSVILLE

BISHOP ALBERT R. ZUROWESTE, D.D.

We, the graduates of '48 humbly dedicate this yearbook to you, Your Excellency Albert R. Zuroweste, Bishop of Belleville for your careful guidance and personal direction of our school. We are confident that you will renew the drive for a fund to construct a new Central Catholic High School seeing that more boys need a chance for higher Catholic education.

We hold in our hearts a deep personal closeness to you especially because you served as our ardent superintendent and we offer our prayers that you may continue to remember your boys as your dearest friends.

Above all we wish to thank you for your untiring efforts in behalf of our school and wish you success in all further undertakings. May God's blessing be with you always.

SCENES FROM THE CONSECRATION



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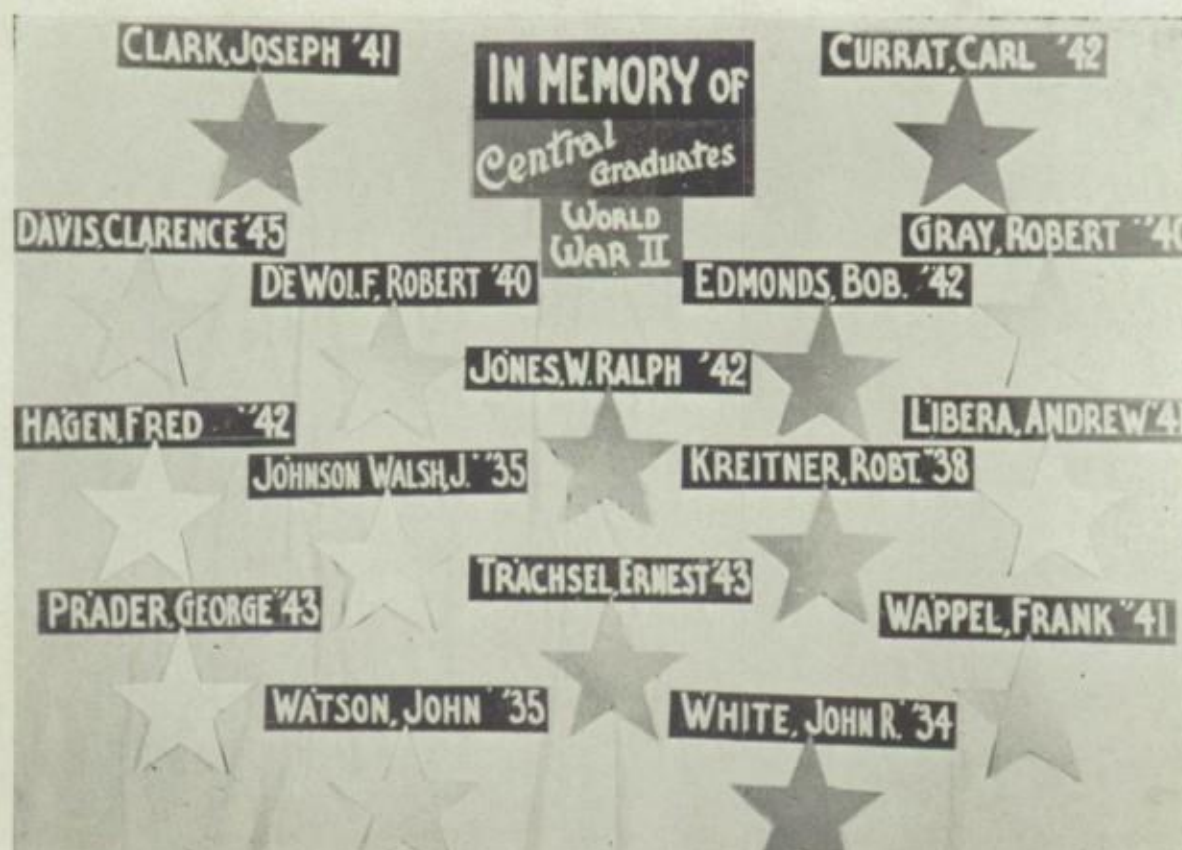
BISHOP HENRY ALTHOFF, D.D.

IN MEMORIAM



DONALD HAIDER

The graduates of 1948 bow their heads to honor a former classmate who departed to his Maker during the past scholastic year.



Alumni Who Have Given Their Lives For Their Country

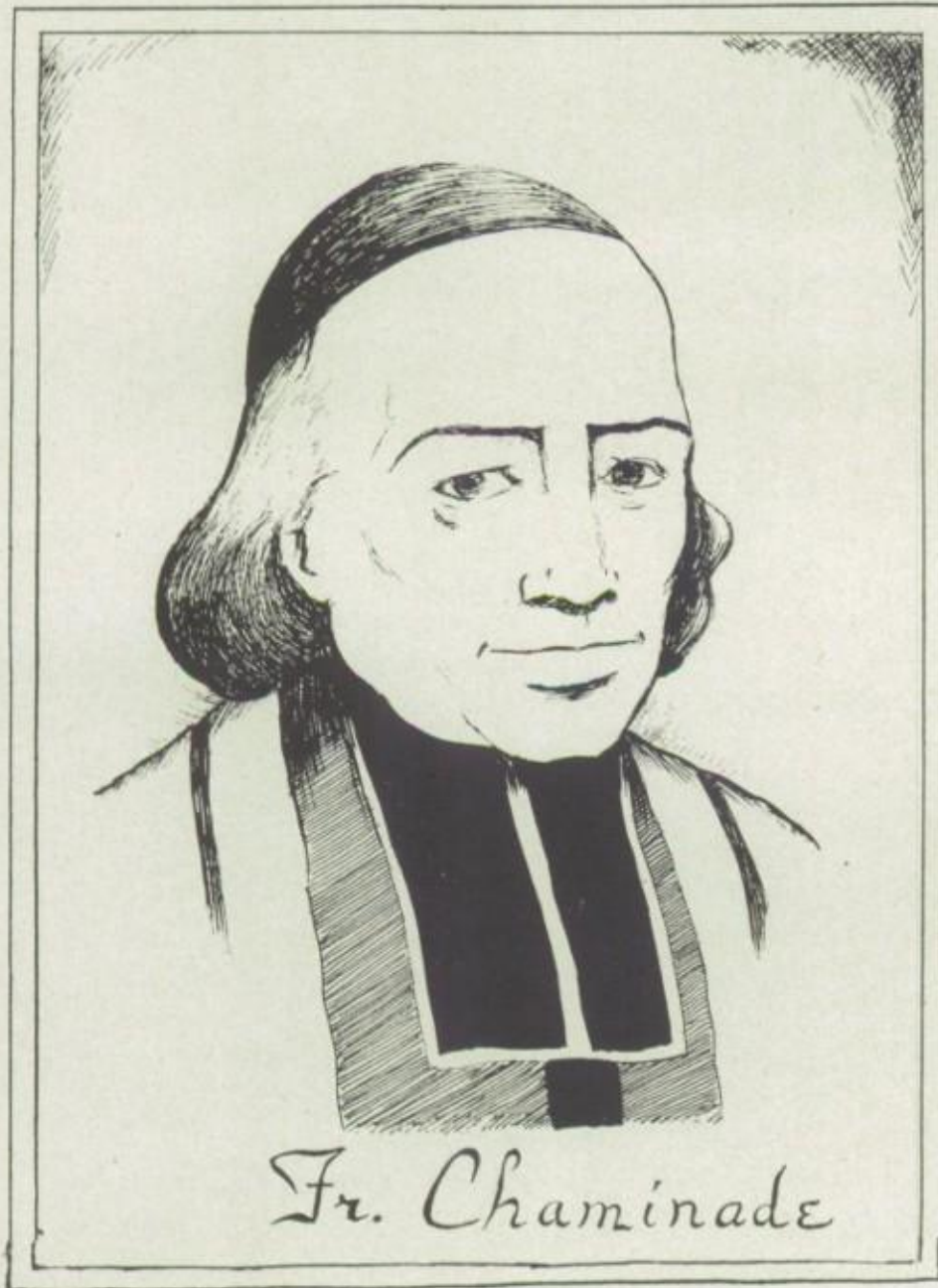
Mary, Queen of Peace, Pray for Us



We, the Class of 1948, bow in heartfelt thanksgiving to the fairest of women for her help in inspiring us to publish this Annual in her honor.

In tender harmony our hearts acknowledge her our Mother and our voices proclaim her our Queen.

We beg of Mary Immaculate her protection over each and every member of this class and pray to her that the world would be furnished with a just and lasting peace.



FACULTY



LEO DREXLER, S. M.

You probably will always remember the day of your graduation from Central. It marks the successful completion of your high school days and points to the beginning of a new way of life.

One cannot say what the future holds for you. The future is in God's hands.

I wish to leave this thought with you: The fundamental problem of life for all of us is to harmonize our wills with the will of God. The strongest and most victorious figure in history is Christ; but among all men who have lived none ever so completely submitted his will to the will of the Father. Bear in mind that man's peace can come only when everything within himself is working harmoniously according to that order and purpose set up in him by his Maker. And may Mary, our Heavenly Mother, make us more and more conformable to Jesus, our divine Model.

Leo Drexler, S. M.

Principal

FACULTY



BRO. MARTIN FEELEY, S.M., B.A.

Algebra 1
Economic Geography
Religion 1



REV. CHARLES O'NEILL, S.M., B.A.

Latin 1 and 2
English 2
Religion 3

BRO. EUGENE GITTINGER, S.M., B.A., M.A.

American History
Civics
Spanish 2
Religion 4



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Spanish 1
Citizenship
English 1 and 4
Religion 4



FACULTY



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Typing
 Shorthand
 Bookkeeping
 Athletic Director
 Annual Moderator
 Religion 2



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Physics
 Solid Geometry
 Trigonometry
 Plane Geometry
 Religion 2

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Chemistry
 Camera Club Moderator
 Religion 3



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World History 2
 English 1
 Librarian
 Religion 1



FACULTY



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English 2
Practical Mathematics
Algebra 2
Religion 2



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Consumer Economics
English 3
Speech 3 and 4
Public Speaking
Religion 3

TOM DUNN, B. S. in P. E.

Head Coach
Physical Ed. 1



GEORGE WALSH

Assistant Coach
General Business
World History



CATECHISTS

FATHER JOHN TEREPKA

St. Adalbert



FATHER STEPHEN BOROS

Holy Angels



FATHER JOSEPH STRZELEC

St. Patrick

FATHER
CLETUS CUNNINGHAM

St. Joseph

FATHER THEODORE
SIEKMANN

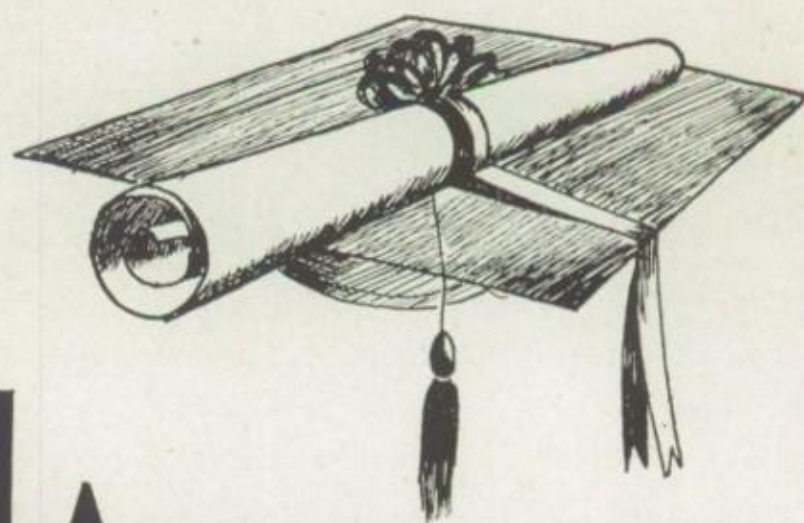
St. Henry



FATHER EDMUND LUGGE

St. Joseph





GRADUATES '48

SENIOR OFFICERS



WAYNE (TURK) HAAS - - - - - President

St. Philip's
Class Officer 1-2-3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4
Baseball 2-3-4
Boxing 1
C. C. L. C. 2-3
Lettermen's club 3-4
Perfect Attendance 2
Pioneer Staff 4
School Paper 3
Class Representative 1-2-3-4
Cheer Club 4
Lettermen's Club Officer 4



WILLIAM (BUSIE) BUSEKRUS - Vice-President

St. Elizabeth's
Class Officer 1-2-3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4
C. C. L. C. 2-3-4
School Paper (Editor) 3-4
Pioneer Staff (Editor)
Class Representative 2-3-4
Lettermen's Club 4
Transportation 3-4
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4
Messenger Reporter 2-4
C. C. L. C. Officer 3-4

Secretary - - RONALD (LOW-LIFE) DALY

S. S. Peter & Paul (Collinsville)
Class Officer 4
Collinsville High 1-2-3
Central Catholic 4



Treasurer - - - - - ROBERT (FINN) O'BRIEN

St. Patrick's
Basketball 1-2-3-4
Pioneer Staff
Baseball 2-3-4
Class Officer 1-2-3-4
School Paper 2-3
Tennis 2-3-4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Class Representative 1-2
C. C. L. C. 2-3
C. C. L. C. Officer 2
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4
Outstanding Freshman



Men of Central are Prepared for Future Life

RICHARD (Ouija) ALEMAN

Holy Rosary



RICHARD (Ears) ARTERBURN

St. Joseph
Glee Club 2
Track 2-3
Lettermen's Club 3-4
C. C. L. C. 3
Reading Club 4
Boxing 1



EDWARD (Eddie) BACHESTA

St. Elizabeth
Camera Club 3-4
Glee Club 3
Cheer Club 4



THOMAS (Baldy) BALDWIN

St. Elizabeth
Camera Club
School Paper 3-4



BERNARD (Worm) BECHERER

Holy Angels
Baseball Manager 1-2
Pioneer Staff
Baseball 4



FRANK (Whitey) BEDNARA

St. Adalbert
Basketball 1



ANDREW (Flash) BORON

St. Adalbert
Camera Club 2-4



THOMAS (Babbles) BOWEN

St. Elizabeth
Glee Club



PATRICK (Bashful) BRADY

Sacred Heart



MYLES (Inches) BRENNAN

St. Philip
Glee Club 1-2-3
Camera Club 2
Track 4



Truly a Finished Product

EUGENE (Rock) BRUDER

St. Mary
Perfect Attendance 2
C. C. L. C. 2
Football 1-2
Class Representative 3
Class Officer 1
Reading Club 4
Glee Club 1
Cheer Club 4



LEO (L. J.) BURKE

St. Elizabeth
U. S. N. 18 Months



THOMAS (Tom) CARR

St. Regis
Track 3-4
Chemistry Award 3
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Camera Club 3-4
C. C. L. C. 2



JAMES (Debater) CERTICH

Holy Rosary
C. C. L. C. 4
Debate 3
Camera Club 1
Speech 3



JAMES (Jim) CHAMP

St. Patrick
Basketball 1
Boxing 3-4
C. C. L. C. 2-3
Pioneer Staff
Reading Club 4
Cheer Club 4



WM. (Stumper) CONNORS

Sacred Heart
Basketball 1



JAMES CRONIN

(Gentleman Jim)
St. Cyril
Honor Roll 1
Camera Club 2



JOHN (J. C.) CUNNINGHAM

St. Patrick
Football 1-2-3-4
Baseball 1-2-3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4
Class Officer 1-3
Lettermen's Club 3-4
C. C. L. C. Officer 2
Pioneer Staff
School Paper 2
Class Representative 2
Tennis 2
Transportation 4



EDWARD CZECH

(Sarcastic Ed)
St. Elizabeth
Baseball 2-3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4
Class Officer 2-3
Pioneer Staff
Lettermen's Club 3-4



ALVIN (Danny) DANNEHOLD

St. Martin
School Paper 2-3-4
Glee Club 1
Pioneer Staff
Camera Club
Cheer Club 4



. . . . The Christian Gentleman

THOMAS (How Do) DELANEY

St. Regis
Basketball 1-2-3-4
Baseball 3-4
Football 3-4
C. C. L. C. 2
Lettermen's Club 4



ROMAN (Babe) DOBKOWSKI

St. Adalbert
Boxing 1
Basketball 1-2
Camera Club 2
Glee Club 2

FRANCIS (Fat) DONAHUE

St. Elizabeth
St. Henry's Prep. Sem. 1
Central 2-3-4
Glee Club 2



MIKE (Durango) DONOVAN

Holy Angels
Football 1-2-3-4
Basketball 1
Boxing 1-3
Track 3
Reading Club 4
Lettermen's Club 3-4

RUDOLPH (Rudy) DuBOIS

St. Regis
C. C. L. C. 1
Glee Club 1-2
Camera Club 4



ALVIN (Van) ENTEMAN

St. Regis
Cheer Leader 3-4

JOHN (Nash) EVANSCO

St. Elizabeth
Camera Club 2
Honor Roll 2
Chemistry Lecturer 3
C. C. L. C. 2



ARTHUR (Arturo) FAUSS

Glee Club 2
C.C.L.C. 2-3

ROBERT (Igor) FLAKE

St. Elizabeth
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Softball 2
Baseball 3
Boxing 1-3



RAYMOND (Nose) FORHAN

St. Patrick
C.C.L.C. 2-3-4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Class Officer 1-2-3
Football 1-2-3-4
Track 1
Boxing 1-3
Cheer Club 4
Glee Club 1
Reading Club 4

A Dream of Four Years

MARTIN (Bud) FREY

St. Philip
Glee Club 1-2



ROBERT (Gabby) GABIOUD

St. Philip
Boxing 1-3
School Paper 3



ELMER (E.J.) GANEY

Sacred Heart



FRANK (Pauncho) GOBLE

St. Philip
C.C.L.C. 2-3
Ass't. Librarian 1-2
School Paper 2-3
Class Officer 2
Camera Club 2



LAWRENCE GORMAN
(Larry)

Sacred Heart (Granite City)
Latin Award 1
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4
Science Club 4
Perfect Attendance 3



JOHN (Turk) GRIFFIN

St. Patrick
Basketball 1-3
C.C.L.C. 2
Radio Club 4
Science Club 4



THOMAS (Dude) GWAZDAC

St. Adalbert
Basketball 1-2
Boxing 1



RICHARD (Dazzler) HELBIG

St. Joseph
Tennis 2
Boxing 1-3-4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Pioneer Staff
Transportation 2-4



TRUMAN HENARD
(Arkansas)

Brinkley High School 1-2
(Arkansas)
Central 3-4



CHARLES (The Goat) HOBBS

St. Mary
C.C.L.C. 2
Glee Club 2
Pioneer Staff
Cheer Club 4



Becomes a Reality

HILARY (Bingo) JABLONSKI

Holy Rosary



LEONARD JACKOWSKI

(Beaky)

Sacred Heart
Glee Club 1



ANTHONY (Ant) JANIK Jr.

Holy Rosary
Cheer Leader 1
Glee Club 1-3
Class Officer 2
School Paper 2-3-4
Pioneer Staff
C.C.L.C. 3-4
C.C.L.C. Officer 4
Camera Club 2
Honor Roll 1-3
Typing Award 3
Speech 3
Boxing 1-3



EMMET (Slick) KENILEY

St. Mary
Reading Club 4
C.C.L.C. 2



RUSSELL (Bud) KINNEY

St. Mary
C.C.L.C. 3-4
Camera Club 3
Glee Club 2
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4



JOSEPH (Dody) KOUDELA

Sacred Heart
Glee Club 3
Camera Club 2
C.C.L.C. 4



THOMAS (Tom) LANGDON

Sacred Heart
Camera Club 1-3-4
Reading Club 4
U. S. N. R.



PATRICK (Roger) LEE

St. Philip
Glee Club 1-2
Camera Club 2-3
Class Officer 1
Speech 3-4



ROLAND (Humphrey) LEEZY

Holy Angels
Football 4
Track 3-4
Reading Club 4
Lettermen's Club 4



JAMES (Brew) LEMP

St. Elizabeth
Football 1-2-4
Boxing 1-3-4
Lettermen's Club 3-4



Upon the Success of These

ROBERT (Mac) McATEER

St. Martin
Baseball Manager 1-2
Boxing 3
School Paper 4
Pioneer Staff
Camera Club 2-3-4
C.C.L.C. 3
U. S. N. R.



RICHARD McGOVERN (Boston)

St. Elizabeth
Football 1
Basketball 2
Track 2-3
Tennis 3-4
C.C.L.C. 2-3-4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Class Officer 3
Honor Roll 1
Cheer Club 4
School Paper 3

THOMAS McTAGGART (Mick)

Sacred Heart
Track 2-4
C.C.L.C. 2-3-4
Glee Club 1-2
Class Representative 4



DONALD (Smoky) MILLER

St. Elizabeth
Football 1-4
Pioneer Staff
C.C.L.C. 2-3
Honor Roll 1
Reading Club 4

PAUL (Sunny) PIANTANIDA

St. Cyril of Methodius
Football 1
C.C.L.C. 2



JOHN (Johnnie B) REGNIER

Cathedral, Belleville
Cathedral 1-2
Subiaco Acad. 3
Central 4

JOHN (Jack-Buddy) RICH

Holy Angels
Football 3-4
Boxing 3
Reading Club 4
Lettermen's Club Officer 4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Pioneer Staff



RAYMOND RICHARDSON (Ray)

St. Joseph
Glee Club 1
Boxing 3

JOSEPH RITTENHOUSE (Dirty Joe)

St. Philip
Football 2-3-4
Track 3
Cheer Club 4
Reading Club 4
Glee Club 1
C.C.L.C. 3
Pioneer Staff
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Lettermen's Club Officer 4
Class Officer 3



DANIEL (Curly) ROCHE

St. Patrick
St. Patrick
(Chicago) 1-2-3
Central 4
Basketball 4
Reading Club 4
Cheer Club 4

. . . . *Depends the Future of Others*

NORMAN (Bo) ROEWE

St. Patrick
Basketball 1-2
Tennis 2-3-4
Class Officer 2
School Paper 3-4
Messenger Reporter 2
Pioneer Staff (Editor)
C.C.L.C. 2-3-4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Transportation 4

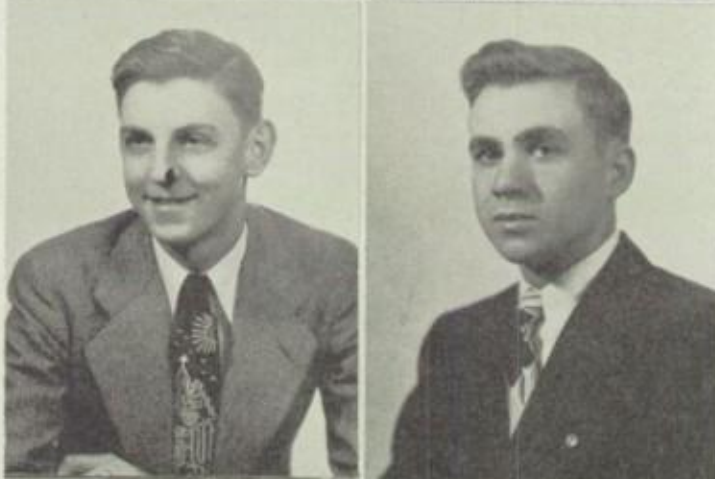


RICHARD RYAN
(Fearless Foz)

St. Elizabeth
Basketball 1
Track 3
Baseball 4
C.C.L.C. 2
School Paper 3-4
Reading Club 4
Glee Club 1

EUGENE (Legs) SCHORB

Immaculate Conception
(Columbia)
Glee Club 3-4
C.C.L.C. 3-4
Radio Club 2



RAYMOND (Ray) SULLIVAN

St. Elizabeth
Football 1-3-4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Baseball 2-3-4
Boxing 1-3
Basketball 1-3-4

JOHN (Caesar) SURWALD

Holy Angels
Boxing 1
Football 1-4
Pioneer Staff
Lettermen's Club 4
Camera Club 1



ROBERT SWEENEY
(Little Tree)

Holy Angels
Boxing 1
Football 2-3-4
Glee Club 3
Baseball 4
Reading Club 4
Lettermen's Club 3-4



. . . . *On a Fuller Life*

THOMAS WARWICK
(Jackson)

Clark 1
East Side 2-3
Central 4
Pioneer Staff



HARRY (Whitey) WHITE

St. Martin
Glee Club 1
Pioneer Staff
School Paper 2-3-4
Cherleader 1
C.C.L.C. 3

LAWRENCE WIEGERS
(Larry)

Holy Angels
C.C.L.C. 2
School Paper 2
Glee Club 1



JOHN (Bucky) WIERCIAK

St. Adalbert
Lettermen's Club
Football 4
Baseball 4
Track 4

SIGMUND ZAKSZEWSKI
(Cotton)

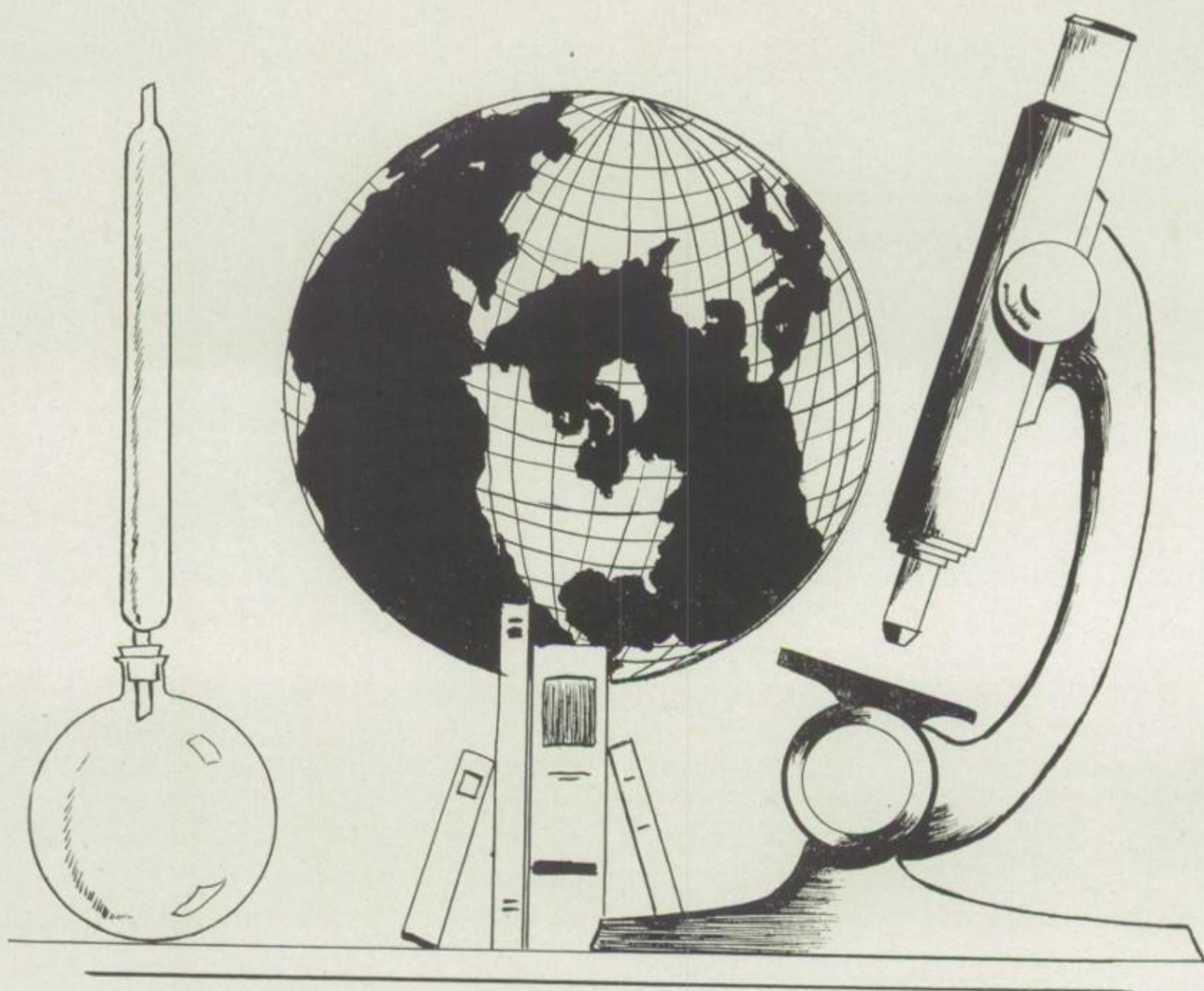
Holy Rosary
C.C.L.C. 2



CHARLES (Zombie) ZOLLNER

St. Regis
Football 3-4
Baseball 3-4
Boxing 3
Pioneer Staff
Glee Club 1-2
Camera Club 2-3
Lettermen's Club 4
Transportation 4





UNDERCLASSMEN

To the Underclassmen:

The joy of achievement that the Seniors naturally feel at the time of graduation is tempered by a feeling of regret, a genuine regret that they are leaving behind them a group of friends who still have one, two or three years to complete their high school careers. Many of you have fought on the same teams with us, taken courses with us, shared our spiritual and social activities. We feel, now that we are graduating, our happy associations will be made less frequent, and in many instances severed.

The years we have spent in high school seemed, at times, dull, unnecessary, perhaps even a waste of time. But we did not quit; we stayed in school. We are happy now that we did not give up, that we finished our high school years. Now that we are graduating there is a feeling of well-being, a feeling of accomplishment in our hearts. We hope that your hearts will beat with the same feeling the day of your graduation.

So let us thank you again for the years we have spent with you, and for the pleasant memories that will stay with us always. Perhaps you will think our words a trifle foolish, but on the day of your own graduation, you will experience these same mixed sentiments.

Good-bye and may God and His Virgin Mother bless you.

The Seniors of '48

JUNIOR 105



FIRST ROW: J. Adams, A. Baldus, D. Bailey, A. Brocco, A. Bucksat, L. Decker. SECOND ROW: W. Dollar, C. Fenwick, T. Foley, G. Guithues, G. Habermehl, W. Jacobus. THIRD ROW: R. Knaus, G. Layton, F. Leingang, H. McCoy, B. Mudd, D. Morrison. FOURTH ROW: H. O'Neil, F. Pusateri, P. Quick, A. Reelitz, M. Rick, T. South. FIFTH ROW: W. Spengler, L. Strong, L. Thoma, J. Torrez, L. Wilder, J. Wuest.

CLASS OFFICERS: J. Wuest, President; C. Fenwick, Vice-President; R. Bucksat, Secretary; B. Wilder, Treasurer.

ABSENT: F. Burrelsman, T. Cowley, J. Hohe, J. Houlihan, R. Watkins.

JUNIOR 109



FIRST ROW: J. Alvey, G. Bach. SECOND ROW: B. Basinski, R. Bresnahan, R. Cannon, J. Cunningham, D. Deering, C. Eckert. THIRD ROW: W. Gaines, J. Gregory, E. Gula, B. Hagen, T. Hanser, J. Humphreys. FOURTH ROW: J. Kelley, A. Kokotovich, B. Kuca, J. Llamas, R. Mamino, J. McEvilly. FIFTH ROW: R. Meyer, J. Poell, J. Raslawski, G. Renallet, D. Robinson, P. Sawyer. SIXTH ROW: R. Schwartztrauber, W. South, J. Swierczek, W. Thomas, R. Touchette, R. White.

CLASS OFFICERS: J. McEvilly, President; B. Kuca, Vice-President; J. Gregory, Secretary; J. Humphrey, Treasurer.

JUNIOR 110



FIRST ROW: C. Arriola, B. Arterburn, A. Bauer, R. Chomicki, J. Curcuro. SECOND ROW: R. Durbin, D. Forhan, D. Fricke, E. Gasaway, C. Halloran, J. Halvachs. THIRD ROW: D. Hoffman, H. Howard, M. Law, J. Meehan, R. Mehring, J. Neal. FOURTH ROW: R. Nieciecki, J. Northern, J. Polites, R. Ring, J. Rowe, D. Schlatweiler. FIFTH ROW: A. Schmitz, S. Syzdek, J. Thompson, D. Ulrich, J. Wappel, J. Yasho.

CLASS OFFICERS: C. Halloran, President; J. Northern, Vice-President; D. Forhan, Secretary; H. Ring, Treasurer.

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SOPHOMORE 101



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CLASS OFFICERS: K. Flaherty, President; T. Iler, Vice-President; D. DeMarse, Secretary-treasurer.

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SOPHOMORE 102



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CLASS OFFICERS: E. Zak, President; K. Shackelford, Vice-President; W. Prosser, Secretary; R. Shellman, Treasurer.

ABSENT: O. Bridges, R. Haines, J. Kerrigan, E. Kordella, E. Musser, A. Nowak, P. Ochoa, J. Rataj, H. Reichert, A. Schutzenhofer, R. See, T. Skrabacz, J. Spencer, E. Stanek, L. Touchette.

SOPHOMORE 203



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CLASS OFFICERS: T. Zabel, President; T. Lehan, Vice-President.

ABSENT: P. Baldwin, G. Perez, G. Swofford, E. Zabawa.

FRESHMEN 108



FIRST ROW: R. Barbeau, D. Behnen, R. Brendley, J. Cronin. SECOND ROW: G. Curcuro, L. Dowling, J. D'mato, J. Donahue, J. Freiberg, J. Geppert, T. Grueninger. THIRD ROW: S. Guzy, R. Hartenstein, P. Hayden, R. Hilmes, C. Husman, O. Huster, J. Kernan. FOURTH ROW: F. Kivenas, J. Luscomb, W. McGeehan, L. McMullen, A. Meinen, C. Metter, E. Mitchell. FIFTH ROW: J. Moore, A. Nadler, F. Reis, R. Rheinecker, F. Rick, L. Reithman, G. Robertson. SIXTH ROW: D. Rolfe, B. Schlake, J. Schroeder, R. Sholl, W. Singer, J. Sullivan, P. Touchette.

SIXTH ROW: J. Zinkan, J. Zimmerman, C. Zierrath, P. Wright, C. Wilson, J. Welzbacher, J. Wayne.

CLASS OFFICERS: S. Guzy, President; J. Freiberg, Vice-President.

ABSENT: T. Carrico, J. Feigl, J. Keeney, L. Kosydor, J. Sirtak.



SPORTS



VARSIITY FOOTBALL



FIRST ROW: W. Aye, G. Kuk, S. Guzy, B. Bresnahan, L. Barbeau, Z. Uremovich, J. Gorman, D. Demarse, T. Iler, K. Shackelford. SECOND ROW: R. Schwartztrauber, J. Cunningham, R. Forhan, Capt. J. Rich, B. Sweeney, A. Bauer, M. Donovan, R. Sullivan, J. Rittenhouse, B. Meketa, C. Zollner. THIRD ROW: Ass't. Coach George Walsh, J. Surwald, R. Baldwin, C. Halloran, J. Wierciak, D. Forhan, J. Krus, R. Leezy, D. Bailey, R. Meketa, J. Sullivan, T. Delaney, Head Coach Tom Dunn.



Central journeyed to Dupo for inaugural. A warm night caused a lax in the Pioneer defense. Dupo victor, 19-0 . . . Still on the road, the Pioneers visited Marquette of Alton. Ray Sullivan's passing featured a 14-0 victory. . . . Central next played host to Cathedral in first home game. An outrushed Cardinal-Gold suffered a 19-0 setback. . . . A game Pioneer ball club faced a powerful East Side eleven. Final: Flyers, 27; Pioneers, 0. . . . Prep League opener found our gridders encountering the St. Mary's Dragons. Although outscored 13-6, the Cardinal-Gold eleven was not outplayed. . . . Furnished with plenty of drive, the Pioneers were unable to score on the DeAndreis defense until the closing minutes of the game, when they came through on a safety. Central was victor by the narrow margin of 2-0. . . . Unable to overcome a first half lead, the Pioneers dropped their second league game to the McBride Micks, 27-6. . . . Meeting a first place club always proves tough. Thus St. Louis U. High romped to a 32-0 victory over our gridders. . . . The Pioneers ended the season in a blaze of glory by pushing a driving ground attack and an outstanding passing offense to defeat the C. B. C. Cadets, 12-6.

SENIOR LETTERMEN



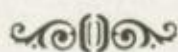
TOP ROW: John Wierciak, Joe Rittenhouse, Jack Cunningham, Roland Leezy. SECOND ROW: Ray Sullivan, Captain Jack Rich, Bob Sweeney. THIRD ROW: Mike Donovan, Charlie Zollner. FOURTH ROW: Tom Delaney, Ray Forhan, Jack Surwald, Bob Meketa.

“B” FOOTBALL



Prep League Co-Champs

FIRST ROW: J. Gorman, R. Spencer, B. Aye, J. Sullivan, L. Hayes, S. Guzy, T. Uremovich, D. Demarse, G. Kuk, L. Barbeau, K. Shackelford. SECOND ROW: Coach Dunn, W. Moorkamp, R. Robertson, T. Lamprich, T. Zabel, R. Foley, B. Kennerknecht, T. Skrabacz, B. George, F. Owca, D. Kessler, T. Iler, D. Stallings, Coach Walsh.



STUDENT MANAGERS

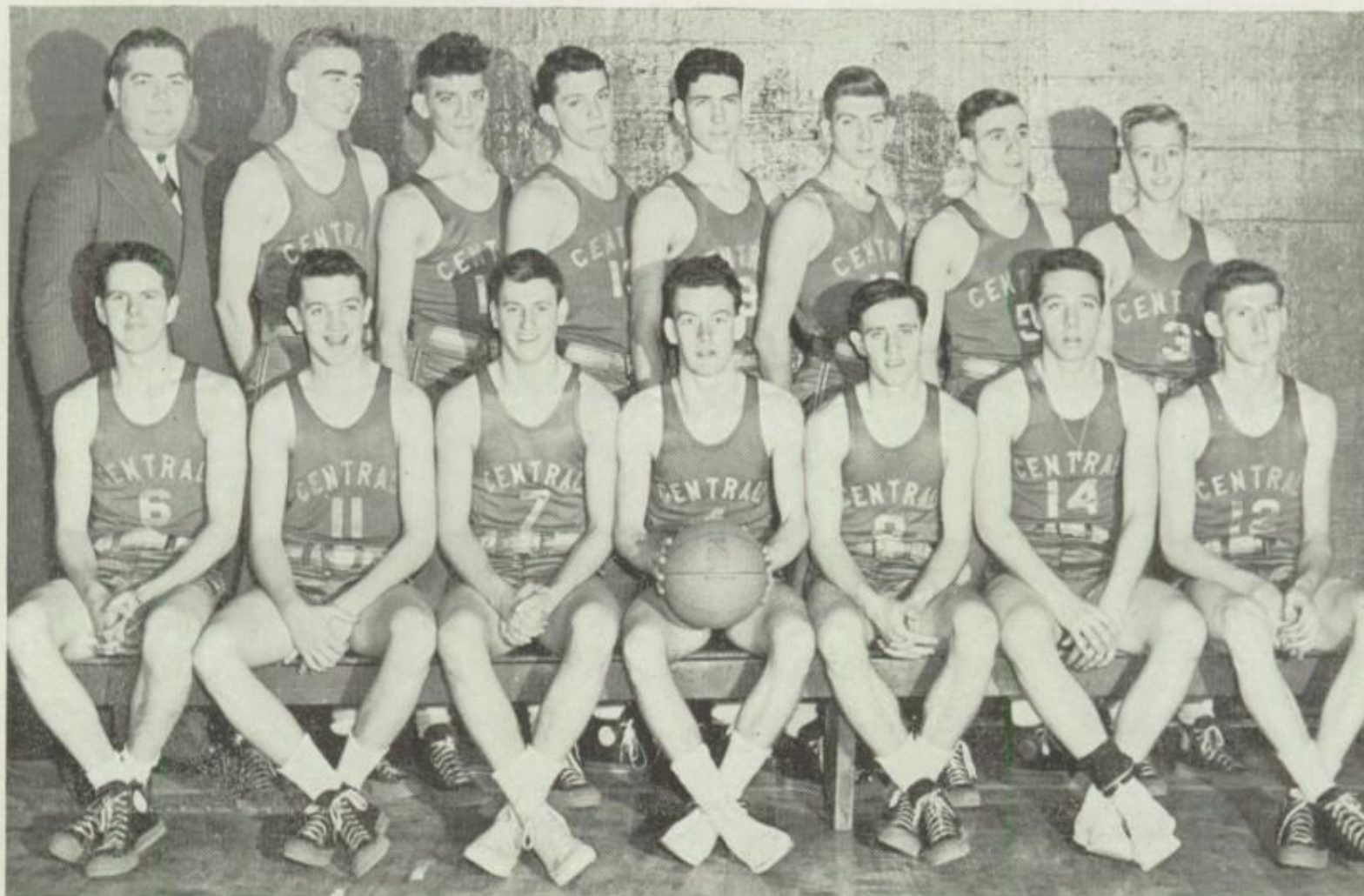


FRONT ROW: D. Rolfe, J. Degnan, J. Moore, A. Nadler, J. Sirtak.
BACK ROW: R. Wilson, R. Barbeau, R. Brendley, F. Kivenas, E. Stanek.

These spirited boys contributed their share to athletics and to the school by caring for equipment and other details of games and practice sessions.



VARSITY BASKETBALL



FRONT ROW: Tom Delaney, Charlie Halloran, Wayne Haas, Bob O'Brien, Eddie Czech, Jack Cunningham, Jim Gregory, BACK ROW: Coach Tom Dunn, Charlie Eckert, Bob Miller, Roger Schwartztrauber, Danny Roche, Bill Busekrus, Ray Sullivan, Donnie Demarse.

The Pioneer cagers opened their season by defeating St. Peter's, 42-36. . . . Due to the lack of rebounding, the Cardinal-Gold quintet dropped their next game to Chaminade by a 41-33 count. . . . Mt. Olive proved quite troublesome to our cagers in handing them a 44-35 setback. . . . Beginning to hit their stride, the Pioneers edged a towering Freeburg five, 45-43. . . . Cathedral of Belleville next fell victim to the Cardinal-Gold onslaught to the tune of 46-35. . . . Central then journeyed to the Jacksonville Holiday Tourney to beat a favored Pittsfield team, 34-29. . . . Ray Sullivan scored clincher as our Pioneers knocked off the host Jacksonville team, 42-40. . . . With two down and one to go, the Cardinal-Gold quintet met and defeated the Kincaid Ponies, 31-29, in a thrilling double overtime; Eddie Czech the hero. . . . The returning Champs stretched their victory string to six straight by beating the St. Peter's five, 33-24. . . . Proving themselves to be Champions, the Pioneers next steam-rolled DeAndreis, 50-39, in their first Prep League game. . . . Continuing their winning streak, our quintet spilled the favored McBride Micks, 41-35. . . . A big St. Louis U. High team broke the Pioneers' victory string at eight straight, 38-24. . . . Hitting 40 per cent of their shots, the Pioneers slaughtered the St. Mary's Dragons, 50-35. . . . The Cardinal-Gold basketballers next soundly trounced C. B. C., 53-39. . . . Journeying to their second tourney of the year, Central revenged an early season defeat by beating Chaminade, 62-36, to help initiate the new DeAndreis Gym. . . . In the semi-final tourney game, the Pioneers suffered a 59-45 setback at the hands of the St. Louis Jr. Bills. . . . In the third place game, St. Mary's bested our quintet, 51-43. . . . Returning to league play, the DeAndreis Flyers found themselves unable to cope with the flashy Pioneers, 48-37. . . . The Pioneers' city rivals handed them a 19-15 upset in a ball controlling game. . . . The Cardinal-Gold quintet dropped their next game to the Jr. Bills in a thrilling overtime, 49-48. . . . The Green Dragons surprised Central fans with a 54-47 victory. . . . Central returned to the winning column with a 54-53 triumph over C. B. C., with Tom Delaney sinking the deciding free throw. . . . Our Pioneers next overpowered the Cathedral Crusaders, 39-31. . . . Western Military's height proved too much for the Pioneers in a 46-43 defeat. . . . Central closed the regularly scheduled season with a crushing defeat of Jerseyville, 67-27; Capt. Bob O'Brien hit 30 points to set an all time high for a Central cager. . . . Hitting their highest total of points of the season, our quintet won their first Regional Tournament game by romping Waterloo, 68-50.

Central Wins Jacksonville Meet

31-29 Win



W. H. Hinkle
Leadville



SENIOR LETTERMEN



EDDIE CZECH

Although quite small, Eddie's speed left many fans gaping and his extremely good eye made him a good starter nearly the entire year.



CAPTAIN BOB O'BRIEN

Extremely cool "under fire," Bob netted the meshes to lead the squad in scoring. He was also elected to the All Prep Team.



WAYNE HAAS

"It's a long shot from side court . . . 'Swish!' . . . It's that long distance shark and leading rebounder of this year's squad, Wayne Haas.



RAY SULLIVAN

Always ready in a pinch, Ray could be counted on to rack up points during the crucial moment.



TOM DELANEY

Tom helped in getting the shots from the boards. His deadly accuracy at the foul line was a great asset to the team.



BILL BUSEKRUS

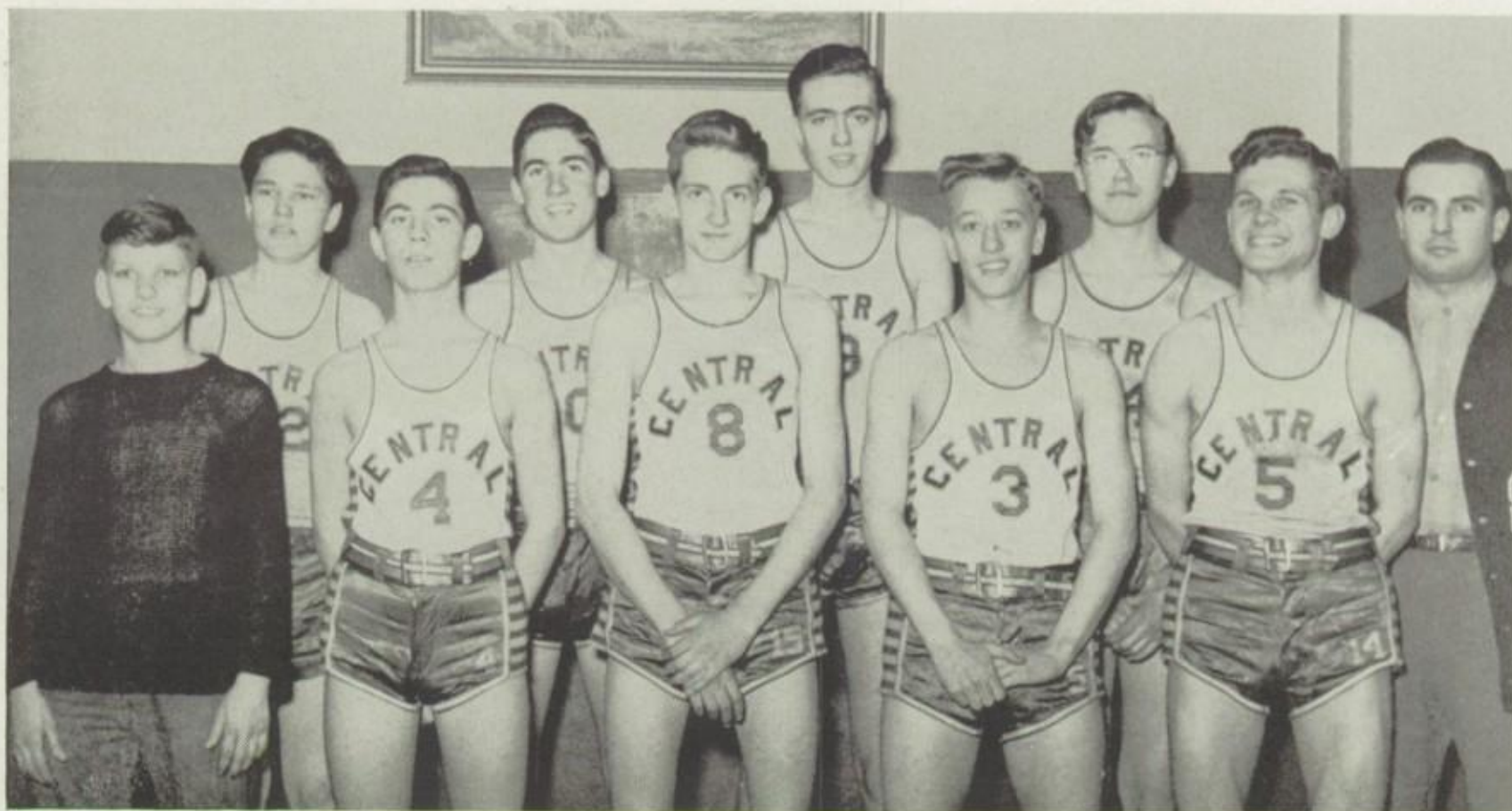
A real hustler, Bill proved himself an asset to the team by his good defensive play during the entire season.



JACK CUNNINGHAM

Not only a football star, but a hardwood ace as well, Jack displayed rare ball-handling ability.

“B” BASKETBALL



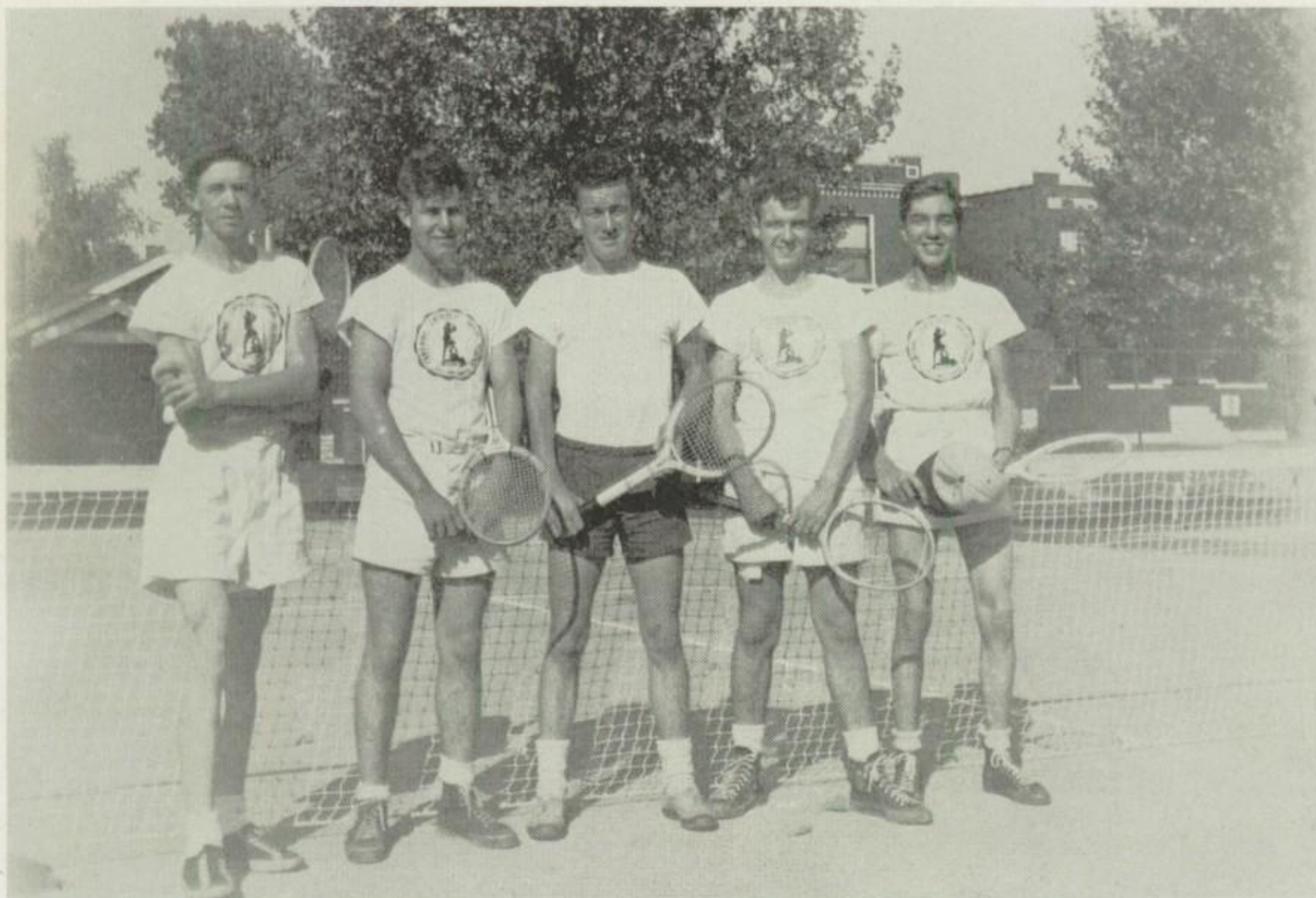
FIRST ROW: Manager Alex Nadler, J. Flannery, W. Bruchs, Captain D. DeMarse, J. Krus.
SECOND ROW: T. Hoppenjans, B. Anderson, W. England, J. Sullivan, and Coach George Walsh.

“C” BASKETBALL



FIRST ROW: R. Hopkins, T. Zabel, S. Guzy, T. Skrabacz, B. Singer. SECOND ROW: J. Wuller, T. Lehan, D. Stallings, O. Huster, B. Miller, J. Luscombe.

TENNIS



The Central Catholic Tennis team got off to a bad start last Fall by losing their first match of the Prep League to a strong St. Louis U. High team by the score of 5-0. After being defeated by a witty C. B. C. team to the tune of 5-0, rallied to defeat the McBride netsters, 3-2, and then continued their winning ways and defeated St. Mary's 5-0 in the last game and thus finished the season with a 2-2 record.

The three returning lettermen were a big advantage to the team. Those lettermen who returned were: Bob O'Brien, the team's captain who won 3 and lost 5; Norm Roewe won 3 and lost 1; Richard McGovern won 3 and lost 4. The two Juniors on the team were Charles Fenwick who won 1 and lost 4 and Robert Schmitz who won 1 and lost 3.

The Pioneer players who entered the State Tournament this Spring were: Bob O'Brien, Norm Roewe, Charles Fenwick and Robert Schmitz.





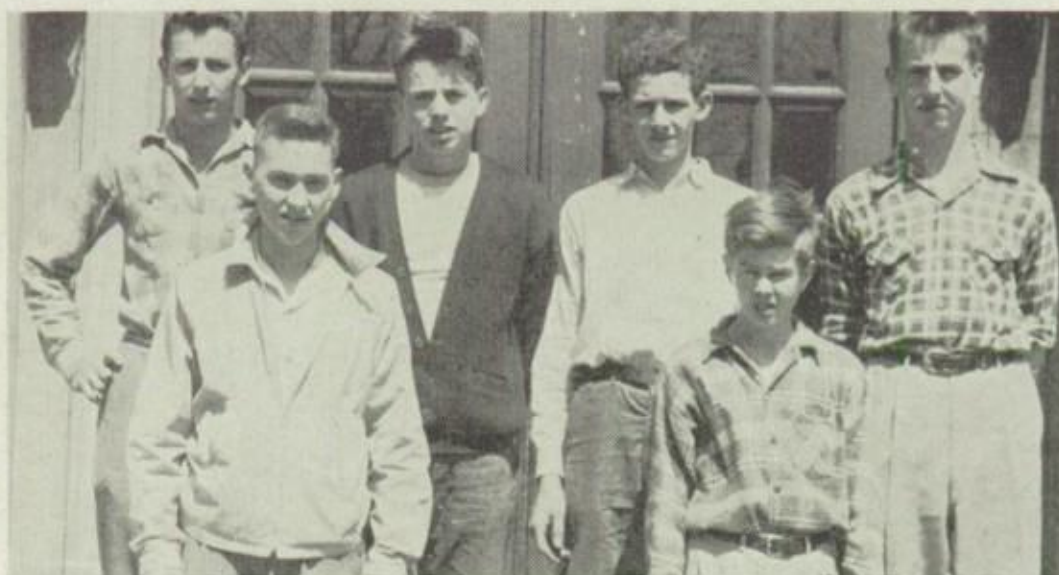
BOXING

OPEN DIVISION



FRONT ROW: J. Wuest and J. Cunningham. SECOND ROW: R. Touchette, T. Nieciecki, T. South, C. Cadell. THIRD ROW: D. Helbig, B. Meyer, T. Iler, B. Arterburn, J. Lemp.

NOVICE DIVISION



FRONT ROW: D. Fricke, J. Kelley. BACK ROW: F. Leingang, H. O'Neil, D. Quick, H. Howard.

SUB-NOVICE DIVISION



FIRST ROW: J. Curcuro, C. Husman, F. Reis, J. Moore, C. Metter, J. Sirtak. SECOND ROW: D. Rolfe, R. Hopkins, D. Tolar, B. Mills, J. Reagan, A. Nadler, C. Pashea, J. Degnan. THIRD ROW: R. Barbeau, L. Dowling, J. Zimmerman, J. Wayne, T. Grueninger. FOURTH ROW: W. Bruch, F. Verdu, K. Flaherty, D. Allard, W. Alvey.



Every year the boxing tournament at Central has drawn good crowds. This year was no exception. Because of the necessity of space, the bouts took place at the Lansdowne gym for three nights, April 14, 15 and 16.

Flying leather was a common sight those three nights, as T. K. O.'s and close decisions marked the event.

The pugilists were placed in three divisions: the open division, the novice division, and the sub-novice division, comprising 44 fighters in all. Of these 44 boxers, 19 were crowned champions, 6 of them being in the open division, 3 of them in the novice, and 10 in the sub-novice.

Central Catholic wishes to extend its sincerest thanks to the Alumni who made these bouts possible, and also to the referees, the judges, and the time-keepers.

TRACK



FIRST ROW: H. Ring, T. Lamprich, B. Miller, T. Scrabacz, L. Barbeau, T. Iler, D. Stallings, T. Nieciecki, W. Alvey, Z. Uremovich, B. Schmitz, R. Farrow, B. Durbin. SECOND ROW: J. Hayden, B. Singer, O. Huster, G. Green, T. Zabel, J. Wuller, T. Hoffman, L. Lynch, S. Guzy, P. Ochoa, J. Regnier. THIRD ROW: B. Jacobus, J. Sullivan, G. Levy, D. Allard, T. McTaggart, P. Rheinecker, T. Lehan, B. Anderson, S. Spaniel, B. Bresnahan, D. Bailey, C. Eckert, W. England.

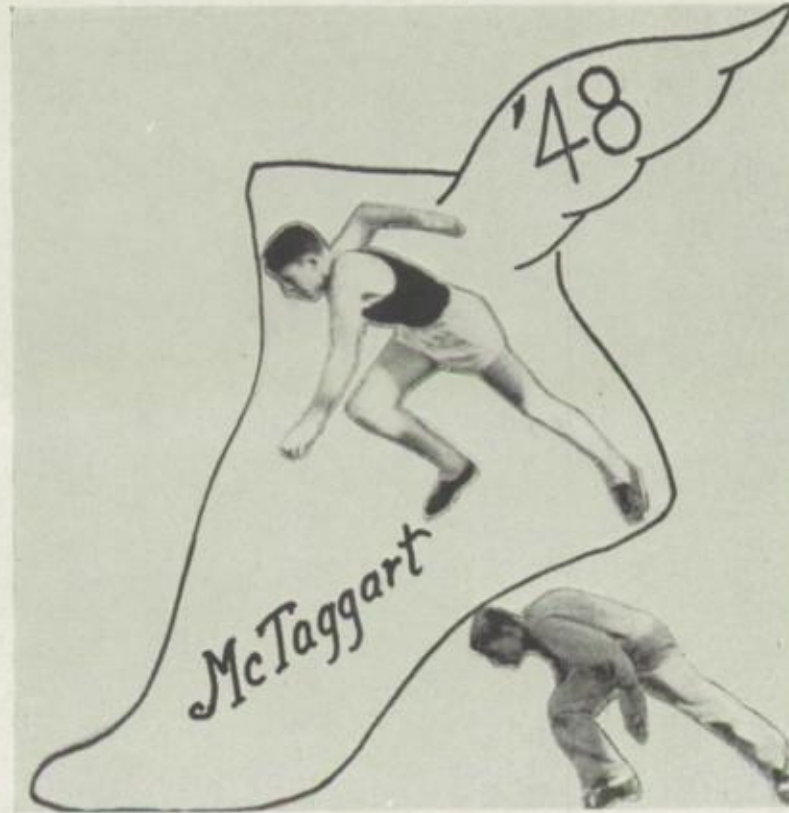


Although hampered by bad weather, Coach Dunn succeeded in rounding out a promising thinclad team. This was Central's fifth year of competition and Coach Dunn's initial attempt as track coach of Central.

The team's real test came at the Annual Prep League meet at Public School Stadium, May 1. Participants in the meet were: Ring, Lynch, Lehan, and Anderson on the hurdles, Krus, Iler, Alvey, Barbeau, Uremovich, McTaggart, and Zabel as sprinters, Nieciecki, Schmitz, Regnier, Jacobus, Spaniel, Bresnahan, and Bailey as distance runners, Skrabacz, Stallings, Farrow, Singer, Green, Wuller, Hoffman, Owca, Levy, and England as middle distance runners, Miller, Durbin, Hayden, Huster, Guzy, Sullivan, Allard, Rheinecker, and Eckert in the field events.

Four C men made up part of the thinclads. They were Jerry Krus, Bob Durbin, Wayne Alvey, and Leo Lynch. The only Seniors on the squad were Tom McTaggart and Johnny Regnier.

SENIOR THINCLADS



BASEBALL



SEATED: R. Schwartztrauber, A. Bauer, J. Wierciak, E. Gasaway, C. Zollner, T. Delaney, W. Haas, J. Cunningham, C. Halloran. STANDING: R. Ryan, R. Sullivan, B. Sweeney, D. Forhan, J. Flannery, B. Becherer, R. Sirtak, E. Czech, B. O'Brien, J. Krus, D. Demarse. Managers R. Brendley and J. Sirtak.

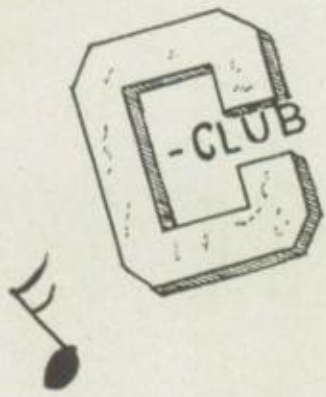


Because the PIONEER had to go to press, there was not enough time to finish out the schedule of the baseball team. However, up until this time the team was showing possibilities of going to state.

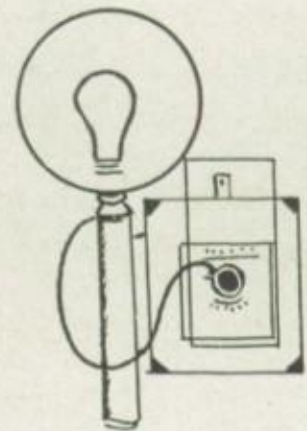
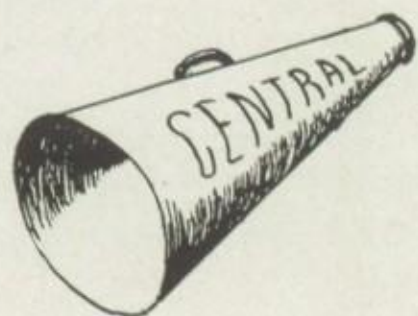
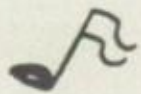
Coach George Walsh took over the team, and greeted sixty candidates the first day of practice. Being hampered by bad weather, Coach Walsh finally picked twenty-one boys, eight of whom were returning lettermen. These returning lettermen are: Pitchers Ray Sullivan and Charley Zollner, catcher Alex Bauer, first-baseman Wayne Haas, second-baseman Ed Czech, third-baseman Bob O'Brien, right fielder Jack Cunningham, and left fielder Ed Gasaway.

Other hurlers for the team are: Charley Halloran, Ray Sirtak, Roger Schwartztrauber, and Bernie Becherer.

Thus far Central has the record of three wins and five losses, counting the non-league tilts.



ACTIVITIES



ANNUAL RETREAT

The retreat, which always causes a deep silence throughout Central, lasted four days, from November 18th to November 21st. The students, realizing that the retreat was one of the outstanding events of the year, took an active and most earnest part in it. These four days of silence, prayer and meditation were strictly observed by the entire student body.

The auditorium was converted into a chapel where the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was celebrated daily and where the students could visit the Blessed Sacrament which was exposed during the day.

The Seniors took special interest in the retreat as it was their last before going out into the world.



All at C. C. H. S. offer their thanks to Father Howard for the service he rendered to the students during the annual retreat. As a theme for the occasion, Fr. Howard chose, "I am Jesus' number one Man." He strove to impress upon the minds of all the fellows many necessary qualities that they will need for attaining success in spiritual and temporal life.

Father Howard, a member of the Passionist Order, is, at present, traveling the country as a missionary to the young people of high school age.

GUEST SPEAKERS



Bro. Leo Drexler, S. M., Principal; Very Rev. Joseph Juergens, S. M., Superior General, and Rev. Paul Hoffer, S. M., Second Assistant.



Very Rev. Joseph Juergens



Robert J. Boylan
Parks Air College Executive



Reverend Paul Hoffer

FOOTBALL QUEEN



MISS MARY ELLEN BRESNAHAN

COURTESY CRAWFORD STUDIO

Miss Mary Ellen Bresnahan was chosen as Central's Football Queen for 1947. Miss Bresnahan was selected by popular vote by those who bought tickets to Central's football games. The tickets, each representing a particular number of votes, had a place for a write-in vote and in this way Miss Bresnahan won by a slight margin over six other candidates.

The candidates, all students of St. Teresa's Academy, were chosen by the student body of St. Teresa's. Each Junior and Senior home room selected their candidates and helped them in the sale of tickets.

... AND HER COURT



COURTESY SMISTIK PHOTOS

Pat Hyland, Dolores Braxmeier, Betty Gerold, Mary Ellen Bresnahan, Queen, Pat Kernan, Retiring Queen, Doris Applegate, and Jean Stolle.

BACK ROW: Jim Grimes, Mike Donovan, Ray Sullivan, Ray Forhan, Jack Rich, Jack Cunningham, and Joe Rittenhouse.

Jackie Prokopf, Crown Bearer, Tommy Bischof and Donnie Gasevich, Train Bearers.



Queen's Dance

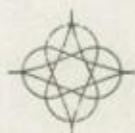


Jim Grimes and Retiring Queen

Her Majesty and Her Maids and Escorts



Captain Jack Rich and Her Majesty



Ray Sullivan
and
Betty Gerold



Jack Cunningham
and
Doris Applegate



Ray Forhan
and
Dolores Braxmeier



Joe Rittenhouse
and
Jean Stolle



Mike Donovan
and
Pat Hyland

FATHER AND FRIEND CLUB



OFFICERS: TOM HENNESSY, Secretary; PAT HOGAN, Treasurer;
TOM MONGAN, Vice-President; A. P. MOORE, President.

Just as the Mothers' Club ranks high on the list of school activities, so does the Father and Friend Club. Something good can be said for every year of its existence, but if we were to illustrate it, it would fill pages and pages of this yearbook. With gratitude and love in the hearts of all the students and teachers, we, the Seniors, wish to thank each and every member of the Father and Friend Club for making our school a better institution of learning. With contributions to and improvements of the school, the Club is without doubt the good moral, intellectual and physical benefactor of Central Catholic High. Always on hand when financial advice and help are needed, the Club will continue, although the students come and go, to benefit all who are in need of aid.

Among the Club's social activities the following were outstanding: The turkey drive, Mulligan and the Second Annual Homecoming and Fish Fry. All these activities added quite a sum to the Club's treasury. The Father and Friend Club also gives a scholarship each year to Central, gives a gift to each graduate, fetes the athletes, and backs up all other activities the school sponsors.

We, the graduates of '48, sincerely appreciate this and all other assistance rendered by this loyal organization. Thank you, Father and Friend Club.

MOTHERS' CLUB



FRONT ROW: Mrs. F. Donahue, Mrs. J. O'Brien, Mrs. E. Miller, Mrs. W. Forhan, Mrs. E. Sullivan. BACK ROW: Mrs. R. DuBois, Mrs. A. Sanford, Mrs. F. Lee, Mrs. P. Bowen, Mrs. T. McTaggart, Mrs. W. McGovern.



The graduates of 1948, along with the underclassmen of the present and the faculty, owe and wish to acknowledge a great debt of gratitude to the Mothers' Club.

We know we could write pages about the work you have done for Central. Naturally, then, we will not be able to fully express our appreciation in these few lines.

Yet we do wish to thank you. Thank you—first of all for the benefits we have enjoyed from your countless gifts of the past years, and thank you for your gratuity this year.

You actively supported our social activities in the hall and as a final touch you lent your personal service to the provision of the farewell Prom to us graduates.

As we bid farewell to our Alma Mater, it is the wish of the graduates of 1948 that your club increase in membership and may God and His Blessed Mother protect and guide all your undertakings.

MOTHERS' CLUB ACTIVITIES



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



OFFICERS:

PAUL VODDE
Secretary

F. GASEVICH
Sergeant

F. PROKOPF
President

A. POPE
Vice-President

F. McCAMISH
Treasurer

The Alumni Association, a third organization at Central, began its second year this Fall. Their aim is to lend moral as well as financial assistance to the school wherever possible.

It was through their efforts that Central held its Second Annual Football Dance, crowning its queen for the year 1947. This event, as last year, turned out to be a grand success.

It was also due to their efforts that this year's boxing tournament could be held.

This organization is not only working for its own cause, but is working hand in hand with the Father and Friend Club. In fact, over forty of its members belong to the latter organization also.

The Club holds its meetings the first Wednesday of each month and has a membership of 300 or more. This number is increasing and will continue to increase as the Association continues its fine work.

We, the Seniors, extend our sincere thanks to the newly formed club, for the services they rendered to the school during the past year and promise to join the Club in the near future.

CENTRAL CATHOLIC LOYALTY CLUB



FRONT ROW: S. Guzy, J. Blaise, J. Frieberg, B. Bucksat, B. Wimmer, C. Pashea, J. Engel, G. Johnson.
BACK ROW: H. Ring, G. Lively, H. Howard, J. Poell, L. Thoma, R. Meyer, J. Certich, T. McTaggart.



The letters C. C. L. C. represent the Central Catholic Loyalty Club. This club was formed three years ago and since that time has grown to become an outstanding school organization.

The chief purpose of the club is to promote loyalty among the students. Since the organization of the club there have been many more loyal students attending Central than ever before.

Each home room is represented at the meetings by two boys who are able to lead their class and promote loyalty among their fellow students. The meetings are held on Monday of each week.

Brother Eugene Gittinger, moderator of the club, has done a fine job in working with the members to promote activities in the school. Among its activities the club has put on a social for the benefit of the students, encouraged First Friday Communion and backed all sorts of drives put on by the school.

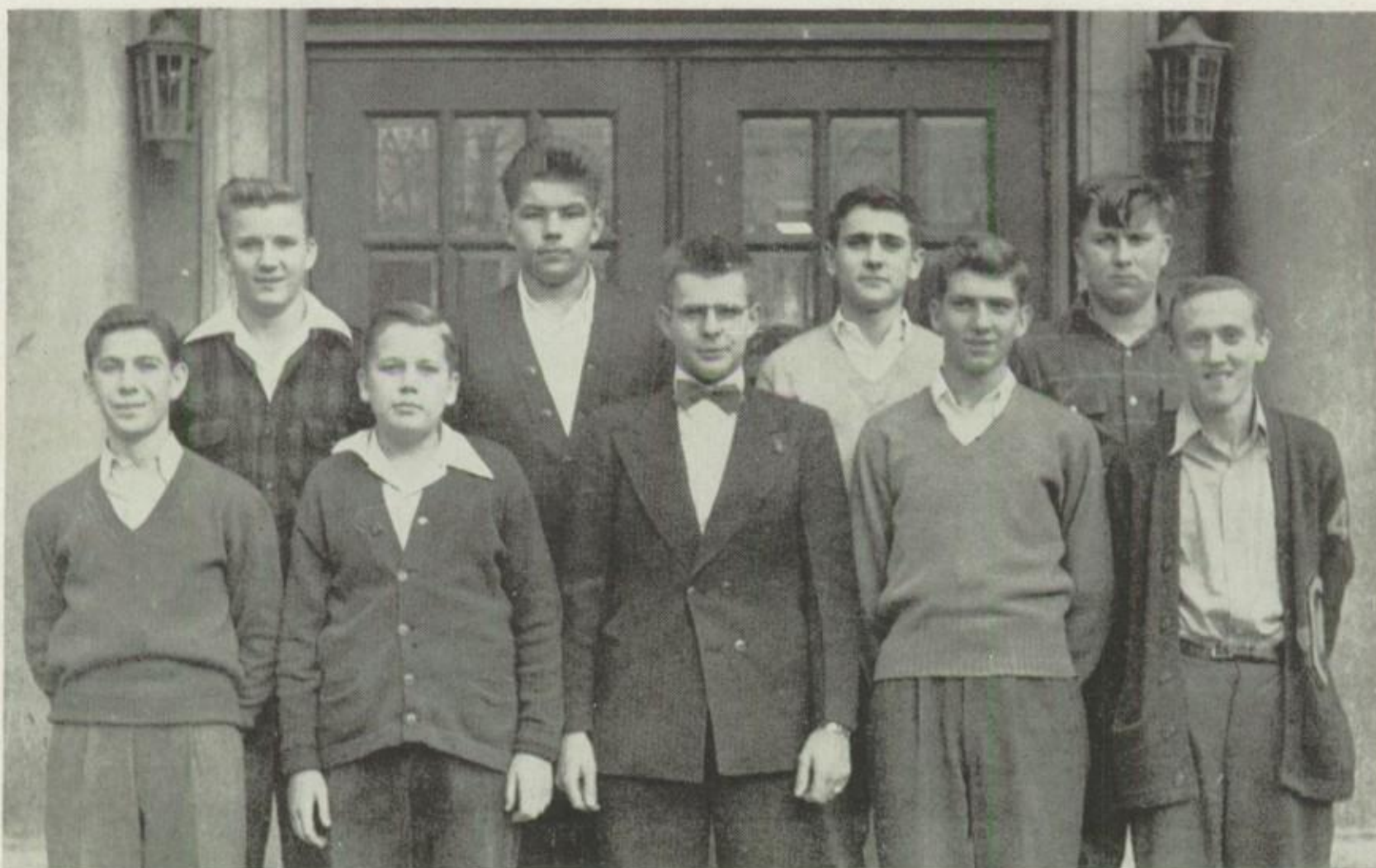
The Class of '48 wishes to thank all C. C. L. C. members for the task they have undertaken in promoting loyalty and activities at Central and sincerely hope they may continue to serve Central and turn out many more loyal students.

LETTERMEN'S CLUB



FIRST ROW: D. DeMarse, W. Alvey, M. Donovan, R. Sullivan, J. Rich, R. Forhan, B. Durbin, D. Helbig, J. Wierciak. SECOND ROW: L. Lynch, J. Blaies, B. Flake, J. Cunningham, B. O'Brien, W. Haas, E. Czech, R. McGovern, R. Arterburn, J. Lemp. THIRD ROW: C. Halloran, R. Schwartztrauber, C. Zollner, D. Bailey, C. Fenwick, D. Robinson, D. Forhan, A. Bauer, B. Schmitz, T. Delaney, R. Leezy.

HIGH SELLERS



These nine boys ranked high in the sale of chances during the annual Father and Friend Club Turkey Raffle. FRONT ROW: Jim Flannery, Bob Kennerknecht, Tom Warwick, Bill Busekrus, Al Enteman. BACK ROW: J. Kosydor, Phil Rheinecker, Dick Watkins, D. Allard. ABSENT: J. Torrez.

CAMERA CLUB



FIRST ROW: R. Wilson, J. Humphreys, D. Fricke, J. Cronin, J. Reagan, P. Stratton. SECOND ROW: J. Adams, R. DuBois, R. Rapp, W. Kowalski, B. Meyer. THIRD ROW: S. Syzdek, J. Guithues, T. Cowley, S. Guzy, J. Keeney, T. Hanser, J. Hayden, T. Carr, A. Boron.



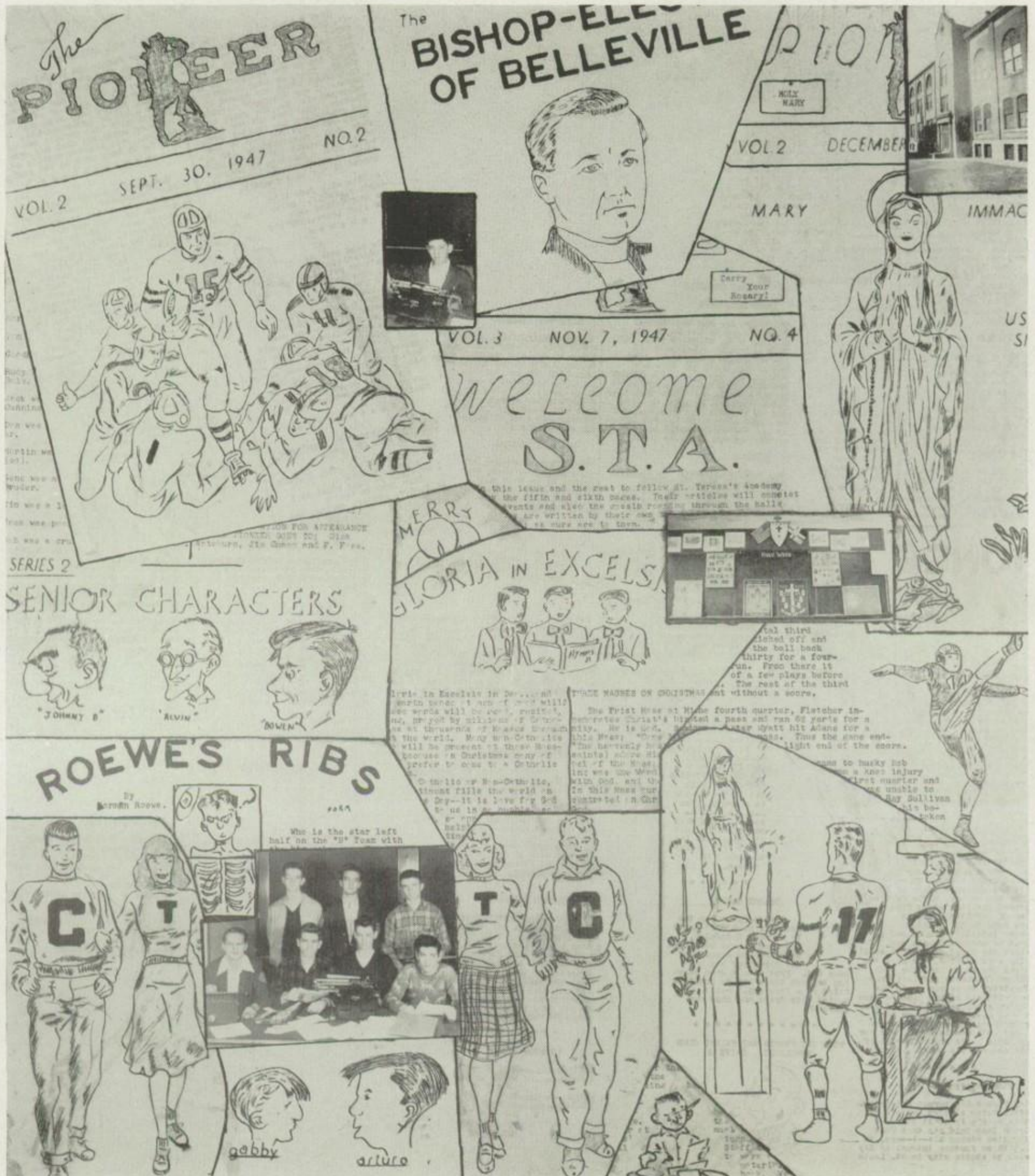
The Camera Club which reorganized early in the school year, held its meetings every Wednesday afternoon in the Chemistry Lecture Room.

Brother Frank Gutting, moderator of the club, spent much time instructing club members on the fundamental construction, working parts, use of a good camera, processing film, making contact prints, and enlargements. Instructions were given to the club as a group at meetings and to the individual members after school hours.

The club members received ample opportunity to make use of the fine equipment owned by the club. As one of its activities, the best efforts of the club members were put on display in the Chemistry Lecture Room each week.

A lot of the success of any annual depends upon the pictures acquired and many special thanks must be extended to Brother Gutting, Bob McAteer and Bob Knaus for their efforts in this regard.

The Pioneer News



THE PIONEER NEWS STAFF



FRONT ROW: Norm Roewe of Roewe's Ribs; Bill Busekrus, Editor; Harry White, Formatist.

BACK ROW: Ed Bachesta, Staff Artist; Al Dannehold, Sports; Anthony Janik, Typist; Dick Ryan, Assistant Sports Editor.



The Senior Staff managed the school paper for the first half of the year, then the paper was turned over to the underclassmen so they could become familiar with its operations. The Senior Staff had Bill Busekrus as Editor-in-Chief. Tony Janik and Harry White were in charge of the Formatist's jobs. Ed Bachesta was the capable staff-artist, and Alvin Dannehold, Dick Ryan, Norm Roewe, and Father O'Neill, the moderator, were the columnists. Jerry Hartlein had charge of mimeographing the "Pioneer" for the entire year under both the Senior and Junior staffs. McAteer came in handy when the paper was ready for stapling.

Most of the Senior Staff had experience from last year and thus it was no task to get the paper back into circulation after the commencement of school. This year's staff undertook to enlarge the paper by the addition of a page written and submitted by the students of St. Teresa's Academy.

The masterpiece edited by the Staff was its Christmas Edition which was printed in the holiday colors of red and green.

CHEERLEADERS



BOBBIE JAROSIK



JEANNE MARIE HAYES



ALVIN ENTEMAN



MARGIE SHEA



MARGIE SCHAEFER

The cheerleaders deserve great credit and sincere thanks from the graduates for their performance throughout the school year. With Central now at the top of the Sport circle, the school needs the backing and cheering which is possible only when there are cheerleaders to lead the way.

Alvin Enteman was the only Senior cheerleader to stick out a full year of cheer leading.

The girl cheerleaders are chosen from the student body of St. Teresa's Academy.

IT HAPPENED ON . . .

SEPTEMBER

2. Freshmen have school to themselves.
3. Seniors take over; and how!
5. First Friday: Full courses begin Monday.
8. Longest day in Carr's life.
10. Donovan's got two sore arms.
12. Meketa got caught cheating already.
15. Seniors got their class rings.
16. Seniors are visited by two St. Teresans.
18. Dress rehearsal for football team.
19. 19-0 Dupo; there.
23. Forhan lost his coat at St. Teresa's wiener roast.
24. Not one case of ptomaine.
25. First tennis match; lost 5-0 to C. B. C.
26. Second tennis match; lost 5-0 to St. Louis High.
29. Second football game at Alton; 14-0 Central over Marquette.
30. Tennis team won 4-1 over McBride.

OCTOBER

2. Too much physics for Lee; he fell out of his chair.
3. Second victory for tennis team; 5-0 over St. Mary's.
6. Gloomy days! 19-0 Cathedral; here.
7. The inclined plane took a beating in the physics lab.
8. Forhan hits PROM and big time.
9. The team sharpened up their fangs for the East Side game.
10. 27-0, East Side.
13. Life still goes on: A freshman got trampled during the locker period.
14. Dobkowski wishes he could have that Junior's '48 Packard.
15. McAteer brought his brother's '38 Plymouth to school.
17. First Prep League game: St. Mary's victorious in 13-6 game.
21. Busekrus claims Lois won an amateur singing contest.
23. Delaney learned a new use for the air compressor: keeping ping-pong balls in the air.
24. Game with DeAndreis called off. Not enough water wings.
27. Central, 2; DeAndreis, 0.
31. Hallowe'en: Busekrus, O'Brien, and Roewe had 11:30 dates.

NOVEMBER

3. 32-0 St. Louis High; there.
6. Daly's new style: brown turtle-neck sweater and purple cap.
7. The "Pioneer" has given a page to St. Teresa's.
10. 27-6, McBride.
12. First C. C. L. C. social tonight.
14. "Crash" Walsh and Jim Champ organize new club: Liars' Den."
18. First day of retreat. Haas tries to keep quiet.
19. Second day. Seniors are all ears.
20. Third day. Too much for Leezy's chair.
21. Last day. Jablonski just made it.

IT HAPPENED ON . . .

DECEMBER

1. Wieggers was too full of turkey to fight about his grades.
2. First basketball game. 42-36 over St. Peter's.
3. Baldwin almost fainted after the tuberculin test.
5. 41-33 Chaminade; here.
9. 44-35 Mt. Olive; there.
10. "Stump" O'Connor had all his homework. (He said!)
11. Forhan and Donovan joined the reading club.
12. Santa Claus looked very familiar; hm-m-m-m-m!
16. Central over Freeburg, 45-43. Whew!
17. Juniors took over the "Pioneer." Seniors miss press room.
19. Last school day till next year: Central over Cathedral, 46-35.
29. Central wins initial HOLIDAY GAME, 34-29.
30. Central over JACKSONVILLE IN SEMI-FINAL, 42-40. Ray Sullivan scores decisive basket.
31. HOLIDAY TOURNEY CHAMPS, 31-29 in sudden-death period. Eddie Czech hero on a thirty-five foot set shot.

JANUARY

1. Leap year begins: Seniors hopeful.
5. Team presents Tourney trophy to school.
6. Central over St. Peter's, 33-24.
9. 50-39 triumph over DeAndreis; here. Haas hits 19 points.
13. 41-35 over McBride in thrilling overtime at Clark gym.
14. O'Brien and Cunningham make All-Star team at Jacksonville.
15. Day following Wednesday, 14th, and 14th week after Humbug Day.
16. Central bows to St. Louis High, 38-24.
20. Central sets 10-3 record while defeating St. Mary's 54-35.
21. Under the able coaching of "Ouija" Aleman, the Fairmont Merchants were trampled by the S. I. C. C. crew. McGovern stars.
23. Central trounces C. B. S. here. Score: 53-39.
26. Leezy begins ten-day reducing course.
27. Helbig bought the March edition of Superman Comics.
29. Pioneers revenge early season Chaminade victory, 62-36. Advance to semi-final DeAndreis Tourney game.
30. St. Louis High startles Central 59-45.
31. Central drops third place game to St. Mary's, 51-43.

FEBRUARY

7. 46-38 McBride; there. Leezy finishes reducing. No results.
10. St. Louis High defeated Central 49-48 in thrilling overtime.
13. Friday, 13th: Bad luck as St. Mary's defeated Central 54-47.
16. Dannehold got his dad's Lafayette and went looking . . .
17. Central outpointed C. B. S. 54-53.
20. 38-31 Central over Cathedral.
23. Work on the Pioneer ANNUAL begun. Seniors welcome press room.
24. W. M. A. tops Central in a fast action game. Score: 46-43.
27. Last scheduled basketball game of the season. Central walks over Jerseyville 67-27, as O'Brien breaks all previous Central scoring records in one game with thirty points. O'Brien and Cunningham are named to the All-Prep Basketball Team.

IT HAPPENED ON . . .

MARCH

1. Busekrus finished counting his points. Wow! Fifteen!
2. Central eliminates Waterloo from Regional Tournament; 68-50; Ed Czech hits 19 points.
4. New Athens turns tables on Pioneers, 45-40.
5. Bob O'Brien finishes season with 298 points.
9. Boxing, track and baseball get under way.
10. Six inches of snow causes a slight hindrance in baseball practice.
15. Senior Class talks over UMT.
16. Senior Class leaves for the Ozarks.
17. Senior Officers decide that the Catskill Mountains would be more suitable.
18. Dick Helbig finishes three weeks work on Patrons.
19. Big Tornado: School miraculously withstands 59 MPH winds.
21. First day of Spring; lots of rain.
22. Richard Arterburn's birthday: Congrats from Uncle Sam!
23. Latest style in baseball uniforms: hip boots and raincoats.
24. Gabioud asks Forhan: "Is it true what they say about Wheaties?"
25. Easter vacation begins.
30. School resumes.

APRIL

1. April Fool's Day; Gabioud, Dannehold and Lee celebrate.
2. First baseball game of season. Central, 7; Madison, 5.
3. Janik attends dance; meets blonde, Dixie Anna Rast.
4. L. H. stars in "S of N" at S. T. A.!
5. Seniors look ahead: seven weeks until Independence Day.
6. First Prep League game with C. B. C.: Central, 9; C. B. C., 1.
7. Busekrus's birthday: National Holiday.
14. Madison edges Pioneers 2-1: First Night of Boxing.
15. St. Mary's, 2; Central, 1.
16. Arterburn, McGovern and Busekrus head for Chicago.
20. St. Louis U. High, 2; Central, 1.
21. Pioneers meet their city rivals, Central, 5; East St. Louis, 2.
22. PIONEER goes to press.
23. Seniors' graduation pictures arrive.
26. Rittenhouse is told to keep pestering the printers about PIONEER.
27. C. C. L. C. social tonight.

MAY

3. Track team still out of breath from Saturday; Prep meet.
5. Eleven days before Senior Exams.
6. McAteer takes sudden interest in studies.
7. Janik's birthday; gets scooter—motor, that is.
12. Roewe passes the hat; needs money for the Prom.
14. Janik and Patty go walking: Scooter ran out of gas.
- 24-25-26-27-29. Exam Week for Seniors.

JUNE

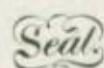
- 2-3-4. Senior Prom. Exam Week for underclassmen.
8. Graduation Day; Goodbye, Alma Mater; Good Luck to Class of '49!

HOROSCOPE . . .

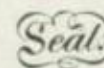
Name	Likes Most	Hates Most	Ambition	Destiny
ALEMAN	Pool	Exercise	Touch his toes	Shoe shine boy
ARTERBURN	Boxing	To be K.O.'d	Pro boxer	Second
BACHESTA	Art	Joe	Art critic	Cartoonist
BALDWIN	Girls	Work	Husband	Bachelor
BECHERER	Long hair	His hair	Violinist	Organ-grinder
BEDNARA	A man's drink	Milk	Mouthpiece	Glass blower
BORON	Polish Hall	Week days	Pole-Ambassador	Page boy
BOWEN	Silence	Noise	Librarian	Riveter
BRADY	Strikes	Splits	300 Game	99
BRENNAN	Lava	Life Buoy	B. T. O.	B. O.
BRUDER	Beer	O-So-Grape	Bartending	Baby tending
BUSEKRUS	Virginia Place	Another couple	Electrician	Short circu't
BURKE	Edmund's	Joe's	Wallstreet	Poorhouse
CARR	Autos	Bad breaks	Sailfish	Sunfish
CERTICH	School	Free days	College Prof.	Janitor
CHAMP	Full House	Pair	Gambler	Politician
CONNORS	Elevated shoes	Short beers	Marry an Amazon	Pigmy
CRONIN	Luckies	Black cigars	President	Committeeman
CUNNINGHAM	His own wit	Diets	Pro-baseball	Bat-boy
CZECH	Arguments	Debaters	Soda jerk	Jerk
DALY	Chrysler	Fords	High-life	Low-life
DANNEHOLD	Tip Toppers	Triple F	Broker	Broke
DELANEY	Neatness	Disorder	Pro-basketball	C. Y. O.
DOBKOWSKI	Red heads	Blondes	Pole	Roman
DONAHUE	Piano	Waltzes	Concert pianist	Piano tuner
DONOVAN	Levis	Suits	Rustler	Jail
DuBOIS	Sleep	Work	Bachelor	Bigamist
ENTEMAN	Cheering	Sports	Editor	Copy boy
EVANSCO	Physics	Hitch-hikers	Einstein's advisor	Wieger's pal
FAUSS	Baseball	Girls	Real Estater	Bill collector
FLAKE	Joe's	Edmund's	16 credits	Graduation
FORHAN	Thick malts	Thin malts	Own Jimmy's	Muscle man
FREY	Hunting	Fishing	Traveler	Hobo
GABIOUD	Country	City	Big shot	Dud
GANEY	World series, '47	Kidding	Druggist	Pill roller
GOBLE	His girl friends	City fellers	Poet	Early death
GORMAN	Late buses	Early buses	Millionaire	Miser
GRIFFIN	Jones Park	Grand Marais	A ham	Swift's

HOROSCOPE . . .

Name	Likes Most	Hates Most	Ambition	Destiny
GWAZDAC	Smoke rings	Wedding rings	To live	Undertaker
HAAS	Margaret	Tests	21C Gompers	Traveling salesman
HELBIG	Seeing eye dog	Boy Scouts	Floorwalker	Floor sweeper
HENARD	Truman	Dewey	Oil man	Soap salesman
HOBBS	Dupo High	Central High	Marriage	Hen-pecked
JABLONSKI	Fairmont	Small towns	Mayor	Town crier
JACKOWSKI	Taystee Bread	Wonder Bread	Sleep	Night watchman
JANIK	Digging Potatoes	5c Limit Poker	Grow Bangs	Pompadour-(a)
KENILEY	Jackie	Censored	Doctor	Veternarian
KINNEY	Checkers	Chess	Discoverer	Map maker
KOUDELA	To be alone	Crowds	Foreign Legion	C. A. P.
LANGDON	Short wave	Permanent wave	Radio technician	Ham
LEE	Necking	Soft drinks	Going steady	Boat owner
LEEZY	Burrs	Curly hair	160 pounds	240 pounds
LEMP	Blood	Home Brew	Champ	Eliminated
McATEER	Usherettes	Read Heads	Admiral	A/S
McGOVERN	The Dutch Girl	Chaperones	Radio announcer	Laryngitis
McTAGGART	Other Irishmen	Other Red Heads	U. S. M. C.	A. A. F.
MILLER	Fags	School	Tinsmith	Can opener
O'BRIEN	Kidding	Dull parties	College basketball	Cheer squad
PIANTINIDA	Madhouse	Doghouse	Army	Yard bird
REGNIER	Sports	Society	Architect	Sign painter
RICH	Rosies	Posies	Florist	Gardener
RICHARDSON	Traveling	His shyness	Adventurer	Insurance man
RITTENHOUSE	Football	Chess	Pro-football	Inflater
ROCHE	Bugs	Exterminators	Success	Failure
ROWE	Convertibles	Buses	Lawyer	Injun chief
RYAN	Dick Tracy	Fearless Foz	Another Sam Spade	Flatfoot
SCHORB	Columbia	Bullies	Banker	Messenger
SULLIVAN	Blondes	Competition	Hollywood	Alcatraz
SURWALD	Calverts	Mountain Dew	Sailor	Sea Scout
SWEENEY	Borrowing	Lending	Jeweler	Glass cutter
WARWICK	Tea	Coffee	Tea Co. Pres.	Teetotaler
WHITE	Majestic	Avenue	Big Shot	Poof!
WIEGERS	Evansco's car	Speech	Pro-bowler	Pin-boy
WIERCIAK	Chevy's	Study	Roll-in-dough	Baker
ZAK	Leo's	Eight balls	Masseur	Samosky's barber
ZOLLNER	Irish talk	End runs	Big Boss	Stooge



Class Will



KNOW YE THAT, We, the Graduating Class of Central Catholic High School, of nineteen hundred and forty-eight, being of unsound mind and for no good reason at all, do hereby, herewith, and hereafter, and in accordance with the laws of the City of East St. Louis, County of Saint Clair, and State of Illinois, wish to make the following bequests to the Undergraduates of said school. We, the Graduates, bequeath these nonessential attributes to these Undergraduates to do as they will. We do declare the following to be our LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT:

TO THE FACULTY, we bequeath appreciation for a task well done.

TO THE FRESHMEN, we leave the beams of our radiant faces hanging in the hall, so that there will be some brightness in the school.

TO THE SOPHOMORE AND JUNIOR CLASSES, we bequeath our ability to learn.

ALEMAN leaves for Leo's Pool Room on Times Square, in Fairmont City.

ARTERBURN leaves his boxing ability to anyone who needs it.

BACHESTA leaves . . . with Al.

BALDWIN leaves . . . we hope.

BECHERER leaves his levis to Utmer Huster.

BEDNARA leaves in Dick Watkins' Packard.

BORON leaves for the Polish Hall.

BOWEN leaves quietly.

BRADY leaves his love-making ability to any shy freshman.

BRENNAN leaves and leaves with everything.

BRUDER leaves for the bartenders' convention.

BURKE leaves his ability to talk for hours without saying anything to anyone.

BUSEKRUS leaves for "The House on Virginia Place."

CARR leaves . . . for repairs.

CERTICH leaves his Spanish to Charlie Arriola.

CHAMP retires undefeated.

CONNORS leaves for an elevated shoe factory.

CRONIN leaves his stubby cigarette butts to Kokotovich.

CUNNINGHAM leaves for the Ozarks.

CZECH leaves sarcastic sentiments to Red Gregory.

DALY leaves to become a "high-lifer."

DANNEHOLD leaves his amorous abilities to Eddie Hall.

DELANEY leaves with his shirt-tail out.

DOBKOWSKI leaves for Poland to become another Kosciusko.

DONAHUE leaves for the "I. C."

DONOVAN leaves to sell his levis to support Marilyn.

DuBOIS leaves . . . that's enough.

ENTEMAN leaves for Alta Sita, calling "Paper!"

EVANSCO leaves his empty candy wrappers in book-keeping class to Art Reelitz.

FAUSS leaves to sell real estate.

FLAKE leaves . . . finally.

FORHAN leaves Politis a piece of cherry pie.

FREY leaves his birds-eye view of the Gompers Apartments to Shad.

GABIOUD leaves an Atlas Body Builder Book to Phil Rheinecker.

GANEY leaves his speaking ability to no one.

GOBLE leaves all the girls at Clark Junior High to Durbin.

GORMAN leaves his place on the Honor Roll to Hubie Howard.

Class Will

GRIFFIN leaves his "snozola" to a nosy Junior.

GWAZDAC leaves everything to anyone—what is left, if anything.

HAAS leaves for 21C Gompers Apartments.

HELBIG leaves for the Eye Doctors' Convention.

HENARD leaves his bowling abilities to Curcuro.

HOBBS leaves on the Dupo Special.

JABLONSKI leaves his Spanish intelligence to Jesse Torrez.

JACKOWSKI leaves his mathematical abilities to Schwartztrauber.

JANIK leaves with Ed Zak . . . publicizing Dorothy and Mitzie Yakobovich.

KENILEY leaves his love-making ability to "Skippy."

KINNEY leaves his seat in Physics to "Fat" Bauer.

KOUDELA leaves laughingly.

LANGDON leaves with a quiet mind; the sound has been removed.

LEE leaves brokenhearted because of Florence.

LEEZY leaves his Wrestling Championship to George Kuk.

LEMP leaves all his fine remembrances to Howard O'Neil.

McATEER leaves . . . thank the Lord!

McGOVERN leaves Bro. Buss a book on how to teach Shakespeare.

McTAGGART leaves a red wig to Joe Frieburg.

MILLER leaves his height to his brother, Bob.

O'BRIEN leaves his sports ability to Don DeMarse.

PIANTANIDA leaves a bar of Bon-Ami to clean the windows.

REGNIER, "Johnnie B." leaves his "broken field" running ability to Jim Degnan.

RICH leaves his interest in Kollme's Drug Store to "Joe Flog."

RICHARDSON leaves in search of adventure.

RITTENHOUSE leaves to Bach to control the Edgemont gang.

ROCHE leaves . . . good riddance!

ROEWE leaves his Ribs to anyone who is not ticklish.

RYAN leaves with a bookkeeping scholarship.

SCHORB leaves his job as mayor of Columbia to Paul Haudrich.

SULLIVAN leaves all the blondes to Charlie Halloran.

SURWALD leaves the Faculty a free day.

SWEENEY leaves his glass jaw to Bill Gaines.

WARWICK leaves the school for more students.

WHITE leaves his ushering ability to Jerry Guithues.

WIEGERS leaves his seat in Speech to some unfortunate Junior.

WIERCIAK leaves to become an expert ? ? ? ?

ZAK leaves an empty desk in Room 106 to Rataj.

ZOLLNER leaves his nickname to Jimmy "Moe" Moore.







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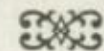
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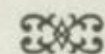
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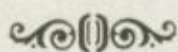
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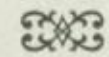
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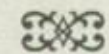
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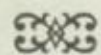
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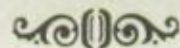
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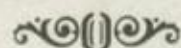
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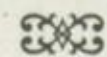
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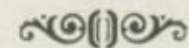
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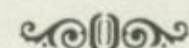


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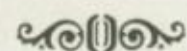
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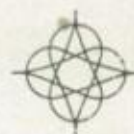
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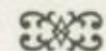
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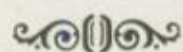
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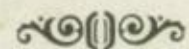
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